Sl. No.	State/UT	Anganwadi Workers	Anganwadi Helpers
33.	Daman & Diu	87	87
34.	Lakshadweep	74	74
35.	Pondicherry	677	677
	All India:	730825	723676

Deteriorating condition of women

†2095. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that United Nations institution UNICEF has made an assessment in its annual report published in the year 2006 that the condition of women in India is deteriorating constantly;

(b) if so, whether Government have seen the report; and

(c) the details of the report and the reaction of Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) UNICEF's Annual Report 2006 has not so far been published.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Children died of malnutrition

2096. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 1.2 million children under five die from malnutrition every year in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what are the steps being taken by Government to prevent children dying from malnutrition?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) Malnutrition is not a direct but an underlying cause of death as it

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.